

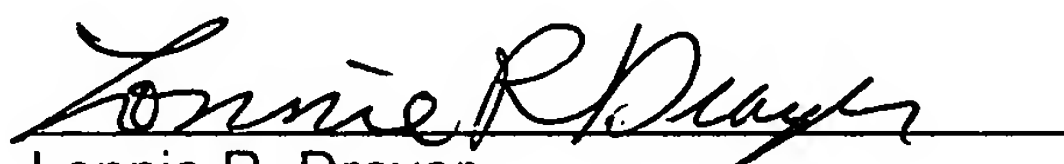
REMARKS / ARGUMENTS

In paragraph 6 of the Office Action the Examiner indicates that claims 2, 4 – 6, 9 and 11 – 13 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Claim 1 has been amended to be equivalent in scope to allowable claim 2, so claim 1 should now be allowable. Claim 4 has been amended to be in independent form remaining equivalent in scope to allowable claim 4. Claim 8 has been amended to be equivalent in scope to allowable claim 9, so claim 8 should now be allowable. Claim 9 has been amended to be in independent form remaining equivalent in scope to allowable claim 9. All of the other claims that remain pending depend from one of these allowable independent claims.

As a result of the foregoing amendment the application now contains four independent claims. Authorization to charge the deposit account of the undersigned for the additional independent claim is made on a form PTO/SB/17 which is being submitted herewith in duplicate.

It is believed that the application is now in form and condition for allowance and such action by the Examiner is respectfully urged.

Respectfully submitted,



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